

Missouri Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) 2005 Cape Girardeau County Scoring Worksheet - Ozark Highlands

Applicant(s): _____ **Date:** _____

Address: _____

Farm Number: _____ **Tract Number:** _____ **Acres in Application:** _____

LRF: _____ **New Farmer:** _____ **Livestock Operation:** _____ **if yes, type:** _____

Complete this scoring worksheet for each concern below. Score each tract on a separate scoring worksheet. Award points only for practices planned to receive cost share or incentive payments.

	Percent Planned	Points Possible	Points Awarded
Special Emphasis/Water Quality Areas: 20 point maximum			
(1) Offered acres are in the watershed of a 303d list stream. EQIP planned practice(s) must address the water quality concern in the watershed area identified.	10		A
OR	5		
Offered acres are in the watershed of a public drinking water supply reservoir.			
(2) Percent of unbuffered perennial or intermittent streams, wetlands, sinkholes, or permanent waterbodies planned for buffers.	% X 8		B
(3) Planned well plugging of all abandoned well(s) on offered acres.	2		C
Total Special Emphasis/Water Quality Area Points (A + B + C) =	20		D
Livestock Concerns: 80 point maximum			
(4) Planned improvements made to an existing animal waste management system - such as implementing a waste utilization plan, installing manure transfer pipe, installing roof over existing facilities, adding a compost to a facility, adding solid separation, adding a flush system or similar improvements, closing or converting an existing animal waste facility or planned improvements that address air quality.	40		E
OR			
Planned replacement of an inadequate or failing animal waste system or planned installation of a system on an <u>existing</u> operation for collection, storage and/or treatment of animal waste.	40		
a. Planned 0-50% expansion.	30		
b. Planned 51%-100% expansion.	20		
c. Planned >100% of expansion.			
OR			
Planned installation of a <u>new</u> animal waste system for collection, storage, treatment for a <u>new</u> livestock operation and/or enterprise.	15		
(5) Planned <u>new</u> prescribed grazing system:	30		F
a. 8 or more paddocks	20		
b. 4-7 paddocks	12		
OR			
<u>Existing</u> prescribed grazing system with plans to increase paddocks by 4 or more new paddocks.			
(6) Plan to convert a minimum of 20% of existing cool season pasture and/or hayland acres to native warm season grasses.	6		G
(7) Plan to improve a minimum of 30% of existing pasture acres by interseeding legumes.	4		H
Total Livestock Concern Points (E + F + G + H) =	80		I
Cropland Concerns: 20 point maximum			
(8) Percent of offered cropland acres planned for nutrient management.	% X 10		J
(9) Percent of offered cropland acres planned for pest management.	% X 5		K
(10) Percent of offered cropland acres treated to reduce sheet and/or rill soil erosion (any practice that will reduce sheet and/or rill soil erosion from the existing condition) or treated to address air quality (any practice(s) that will have positive impacts on air quality, including crop rotation, cover crops, and/or buffer practices).	% X 5		L
Total Cropland Concern Points (J + K + L) =	20		M

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Wildlife and Forestry Concerns: 30 point maximum					
(11)	Planned practices address basic habitat requirements of bobwhite quail on the offered acres.				
	OR				
	Planned restoration of declining habitats - prairie, savanna, glade, riparian forest, permanent wetland - on the contract acres to be treated. Plan practices only on suitable soils.		% X 12		N
(12)	Planned practices benefit a federal threatened or endangered species or a state rare species (see eFOTG section II) on a minimum of 20% of the offered acres.		6		O
(13)	Agroforestry farming systems planned (minimum of 10 acres) on woodland or transitional soils.		4		P
(14)	Planned forest stand improvement (thinning) of overstocked woodlands (>100%) on a minimum of 10 acres.		3		Q
(15)	Planned treatment of eroding areas on forest land (harvest trails, log landing areas, gullies, etc.).		3		R
(16)	Livestock exclusion planned on 90% of all forest land acres (livestock currently has access).		2		S
Total Wildlife and Forestry Concern Points (N + O + P + Q + R + S) =			30		T
Compliance with Regulations: 50 point maximum					
(17)	Application includes resource concern(s) subject to Local, County, State or Federal Regulation.		50		U
Total Points for Compliance with Regulations (U) =			50		V
Subtotal to determine Cost Effectiveness (D + I + M + T + V) =			200		W
Cost Effectiveness Index = Total EQIP Dollars/ Subtotal of EQIP Points (W)					
Total EQIP Dollars requested =					
Subtotal of EQIP Points (W) =					
Cost Effectiveness Index =					
Cost Effectiveness of Planned Conservation Practices: 50 point maximum					
(18)	If cost effectiveness index is 0.0 to 200.0		50		
	OR				
	If cost effectiveness index is 200.1 to 400.0		40		
	OR				
	If cost effectiveness index is 400.1 to 600.0		30		
	OR				
	If cost effectiveness index is 600.1 to 800.0		20		
	OR				
	If cost effectiveness index is 800.1 to 1000.0		10		
Total Cost Effectiveness Points (X) =			50		Y
Local Resource Priorities: 50 point maximum					
(19)	Identified Local Concern: Grazing Land Health		35		Z
(20)	Identified Local Concern: Wildlife Habitat Management		10		AA
(21)	Identified Local Concern: Forest Health and Management		5		BB
Total Local Resource Priority Points (Z + AA + BB) =			50		CC
Total Points (W+ Y + CC) =			300		
<p>I am submitting this Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) application to NRCS for consideration. I understand that any practices started prior to an application being selected for funding and approved as a contract are not eligible for EQIP funding.</p>					
_____ Signature of Applicant			_____ Date		
_____ Signature of NRCS/SWCD Technical Representative			_____ Date		

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